

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed on November 21, 2008 objected to claims 12 and 26 as being dependent on rejected base claims, but indicated that these claims were otherwise allowable. All other claims were rejected on a variety of different bases.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the elements of objected to claim 12, with the result that this claim is allowable. Claim 12 has been cancelled. Claim 24 has been amended to include the limitation of objected to claim 26, with the result that it is now allowable. Claim 26 has been cancelled. All claims in their current form are therefore allowable.


Applicant reserves the right to file continuing application(s) or other subsequent submissions directed to rejected claims. Amendments and cancellations made herein are presented in an effort to speed prosecution of various claims and issuance of a patent. These cancellations and amendments are not an admission regarding the content, relevancy or other aspects of the cited prior art or rejections made in the November office action.

Timely consideration is requested. If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely, it is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

Respectfully submitted,

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